



CITY OF TAUNTON ARPA UPDATE

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

WHAT IS ARPA?

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

- FEDERAL GRANT ISSUED TO STATES, TRIBES, MUNICIPALITIES AND COUNTIES
- UNIQUE INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY TO UTILIZE FUNDS DIRECTLY IN OUR COMMUNITY

FUNDS

- MUST BE OBLIGATED BY DECEMBER 31, 2024 AND SPENT BY DECEMBER 31, 2026

THE FINAL RULE

- ISSUED IN JANUARY 2022 AND TOOK EFFECT ON APRIL 1, 2022
- ESTABLISHES RULES/REQUIREMENTS FOR USE OF ARPA FUNDS

WHAT CAN ARPA FUNDS BE USED FOR?

FOUR MAIN CATEGORIES OF ELIGIBLE USES:



Public Health Emergency/Negative
Economic Impacts



Premium Pay for Eligible Essential
Workers-*Must meet the qualifying criteria*



Revenue Loss Due to Pandemic
Flexible Use For Government Services



Water, Sewer or Broadband
Infrastructure

City of Taunton Total ARPA Allocation

\$31,127,585.85

Total ARPA Allocation from Treasury
\$20,992,932.00
Total ARPA Funds Received to Date
\$10,496,466.00

Total ARPA Allocation from Bristol County
\$10,134,653.85
Total ARPA Funds Received to Date
\$100,000.00



Facts about Taunton

Population: 59,408

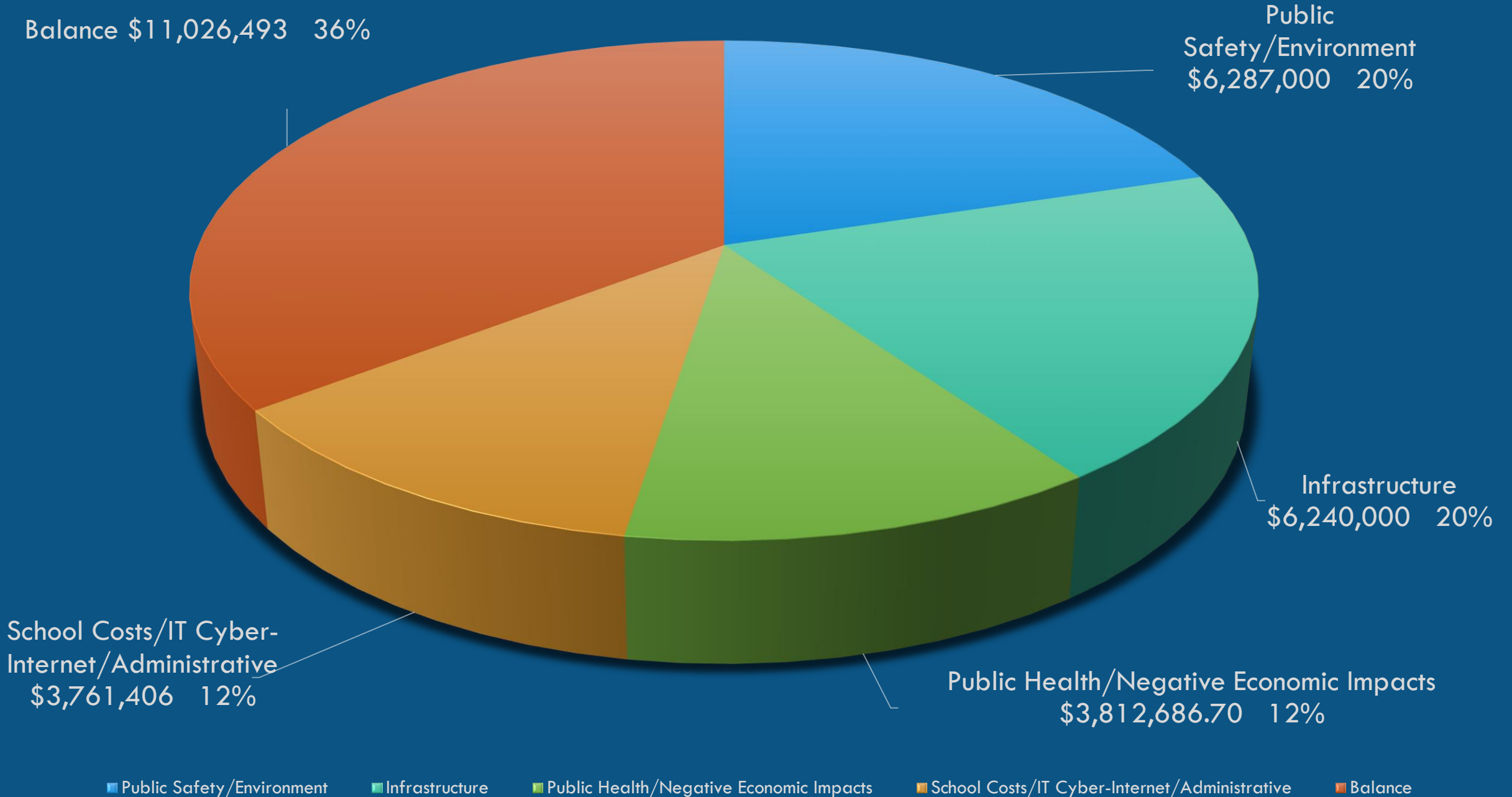
- Largest Water Storage Facility Tank: Prospect Hill Reservoir (able to hold 22 million gallons)
- Assawompset Pond (holds 12.6 billion gallons of water at capacity)
- Water Treatment Plant (capable of producing 14 million gallons per day to meet peak summer demands)
- Water is distributed through 371 miles of pipes

- Sewer System includes 39 Pumping Stations
- Approximately 177 Miles of Sewer Pipes
- 295 Miles of Roads

- 25 – 30 Municipal Buildings
- 14 School Buildings
- 17 City-Maintained Cemeteries (largest being 55 acres)
- 8 Parks & Playgrounds
- 8 Basketball Courts

- 2 Public Pools
- 1 Splash Pad
- 2 Adult Slow Pitch Softball Complexes
- 1 Football Field
- 2 Youth Softball Fields
- 2 Youth Baseball Fields
- 2 Babe Ruth Fields
- 3 Boat Launches
- Canoe Launch
- Walking Trails
- 1 Wildlife Refuge

City of Taunton Current ARPA Allocation



City of Taunton Plan

Funds will be spent to address our city's diverse set of needs across all allowable categories.

Addressing Negative Economic Impacts:

Non-profit youth summer programs offering Social-Emotional Learning curriculum paired with hands on academic programming to assist with lost classroom learning due to negative effects of pandemic.





Community, Recreation, Health and Human Services



- Social, Emotional & Mental Health Programs
- Non-profit Funding Up to Four Years



- Small Business Grants
- Sign and Façade Program to Improve Businesses



Other Areas of Focus Across the City:

- Services
- Safety
- Seniors
- Infrastructure



- Splash Pads for Children
- Recreational Movie Nights and Extended Hours at Community Pools
- New Community Center



Lake Sabbatia
Clean-Up



- Vaccination Efforts
- Senior Center Coordinator & Activities
- Caregiver support



Public Safety

- Patrolmen – Premium Pay/COVID Pay
- Outdoor Shooting Range (Taunton Police Department)



- Land Purchase for Future Public Safety Building
- Earmark for Public Safety Capital Items over Four-Year Period
- 911 Emergency Dispatch Study



- Assawompset Pumping Station Upgrade
- Prospect Hill Reservoir Improvements



- Insertion Valve on Transmission Main & Land Clearing
- Department of Public Works Salt Shed Repair

Department of Public Works & Building Department
Water/Sewer





Cyber Security

- Critical need of comprehensive software upgrade
- Munis Software purchased
- Project is vast, underway and has unanimous support from staff and schools



- Bennett School: Septic System Replacement
- Gallagher School: Boiler/Doors/Windows



What is City of Taunton's plan when ARPA funds are no longer available?

- Appropriate ARPA funding towards having a Capital and Community Spending Plan in place.
- Continually monitor, adjust and deliver on our commitment to improving the City and helping our residents.

